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IN REPLY PLEASE

REFER TO FILE: **PD-3**

The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
500 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Supervisors:

**BOONE-OLIVE PUMP STATION-LOW-FLOW DIVERSION
CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION
SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS 3 AND 4
3 VOTES**

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

Find that the Boone-Olive Pump Station-Low-Flow Diversion project is categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The purpose of the project is to improve the water quality of urban runoff that discharges to the receiving drainage system and eventually the ocean. The proposed low-flow diversion system consists of installing a submersible pump in the existing Boone-Olive Pump Station control house to divert the nonstorm flow to a sewer line. The system will consist of modifying the existing floor of the pump station and installing a submersible pump and control cabinet. The project will also involve construction of 70 feet of a 3-inch-diameter discharge line, which will connect to an existing 8-inch-diameter sewer located in an alley behind the existing pump station. In addition, the existing pump's modes of operations will be modified so it does not interfere with the proposed sump pump.

In accordance with the Environmental Document Reporting Procedures and Guidelines adopted by your Board on November 17, 1987, we request your concurrence that the proposed project is categorically exempt. A Notice of Exemption will be prepared and posted for public review.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

This action is consistent with the County Strategic Plan Goal of Service Excellence. By implementing the proposed improvements, residents of the County will benefit from lower bacterial amounts in urban runoff that can have adverse health consequences to the general public.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

There is no impact to the County's General Fund. Funding for preliminary engineering for the project is included in the Flood Control District Fund for Fiscal Year 2005-06. The proposed project, including filing fees for Boone-Olive Pump Station–Low-Flow Diversion project, is estimated to cost \$200,000. A construction contract will be advertised for bids at a later date contingent on your approval of this action.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

The recommended finding is in accordance with the CEQA and is required prior to the filing of the Notice of Exemption with the County Clerk.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

The CEQA requires public agency decision makers to document and consider the environmental implications of their action. The project qualifies for a categorical exemption pursuant to Section 15301(b) of the CEQA Guidelines and Class 1(e) and (l) of the County's Environmental Document Reporting Procedures and Guidelines.

Upon approval of the exemption by your Board, a \$25 handling fee will be paid to the County Clerk for filing a Notice of Exemption in accordance with the requirements of Section 21152(a) of the California Public Resources Code.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

The project will not have a significant impact on current services or projects currently planned.

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CONCLUSION

Please return one adopted copy of this letter to Public Works.

Respectfully submitted,

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cc: Chief Administrative Office
County Counsel